Potentials for combining walking and public transport at the agglomeration scale



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The background for what's in store...

Despite 30 yrs of public policy and (in)action, trends and odds are still negative. We're still getting:

- Older
- More obese
- More suburban
- >>> multimodal accessibility vs. car captivity



- Homo mobilis is not what he used to be.
- Less captive, less exclusive but more occasional uses according to opportunities and constraints
- >>> A multimodal being whose mobile personality and mobility strategies both revolve around walking metrics



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Framework

RATP Seminar « Walking at the heart of mobilities »

Goal

Evaluate, measure and understand the place of walking in contemporary mobility systems



Propose concepts for setting up:

- networks
 - •rhizomatic grapes, connectors, clusters
- nodes within networks
 - life hubs
 - enhancers of affordances
 - >>> orientating, anchoring, navigating



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Intermodal interfacing (life hubs)

- Transit / sojourn dynamics
- Breathing / bathing spaces
- Desire lines and intuitive signage



Over & underground weaving

Saturated PT network

 Create high value walking segments and label them with the PT brand

Trafic disturbances

 Optimize alternate surface itineraries to alleviate pedestrian jams at stations



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- Overinvested underground / underinvested surface
 - Sell a global over- and underground network
- Restructured information nodes
 - Agents are to sell information rather than tickets
 - BYO itineraries information gathering / harvesting answer both nomad / sedentary logic



Explosion of free mobility

- 60% trips for shopping & leisure, vs. 27% for work
- > 40 min/px/day; 60% visiting, dining out, promenading

Widened life basins (time & space-wise)

- Leisure-oriented goals
- More complex and random travel patterns
- Diluted peak hours
- Nearness dynamics even in scattered suburbia

>>> intertwining coarse frame of fast PT connections & capillary walking (TUBE & WALK LONDON)



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Constellar mobility

- > IT ubiquitous connection: influence of peers over en-route travel plans
- >>> creative à la carte multimodal ticketing
- >>> IT real-time travel planners



- Contextual speed
 - > capacity to link a great number of social realities located apart in space
- Texturising walking
 - > lateral grasping of opportunities

- Palimpsest space
 - > multi-layered motives and actions





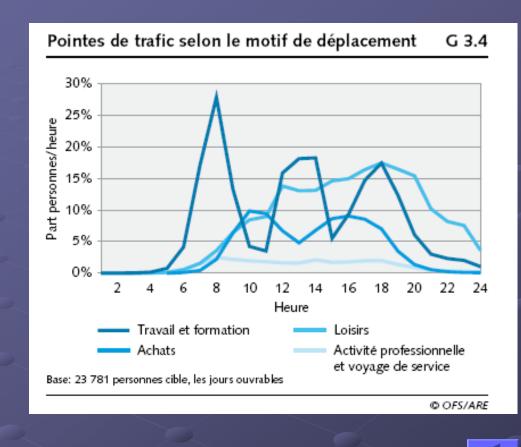
- Pedestrian (walking exclusively)
- Public (PT, lieux-mouvements in which the pedestrian remains a pedestrian)
- Walking-component (start/end + transfers between modes)

>>> Walking & PT are co-dependent in the chaining of daily activities



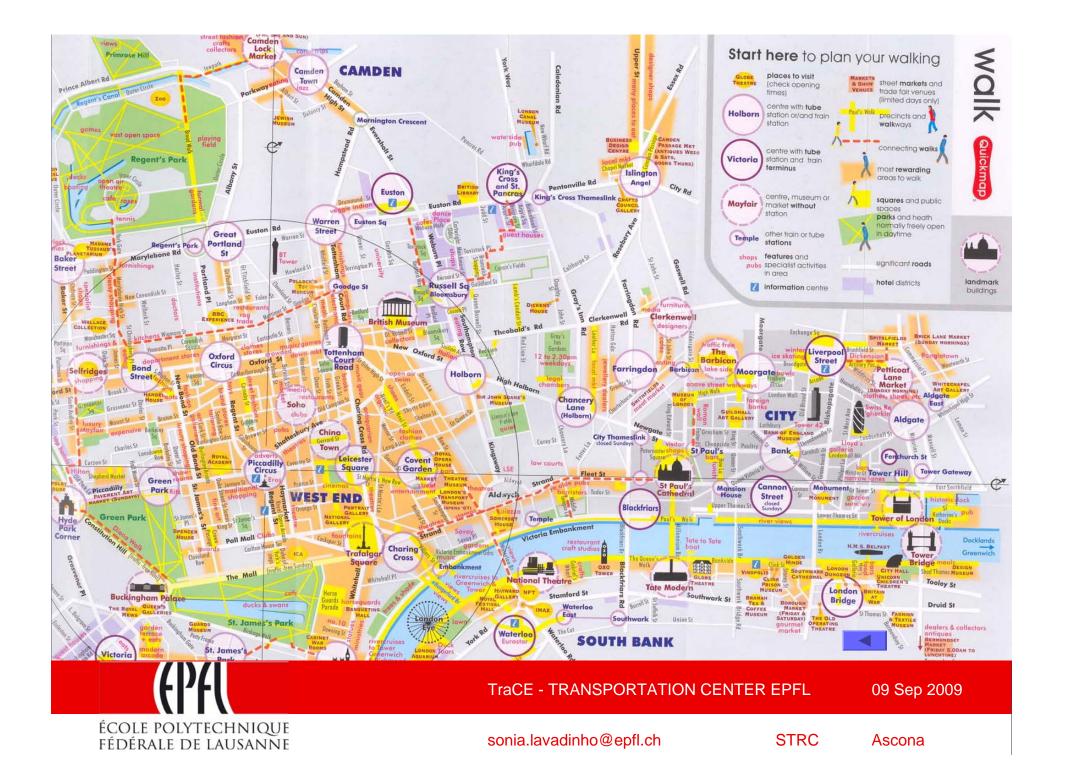


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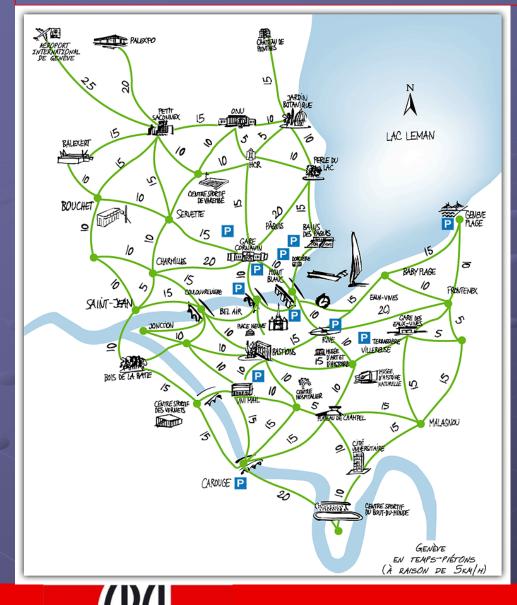


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ÉCOLE POLYTECHNIQUE FÉDÉRALE DE LAUSANNE Life hub

Supports activities well beyond modal transfer

Modal choice is conditioned by its overall quality

Challenges

- Accessible
- Transfer-friendly between modes, over- & underground
- Loss of time => full-fledged time

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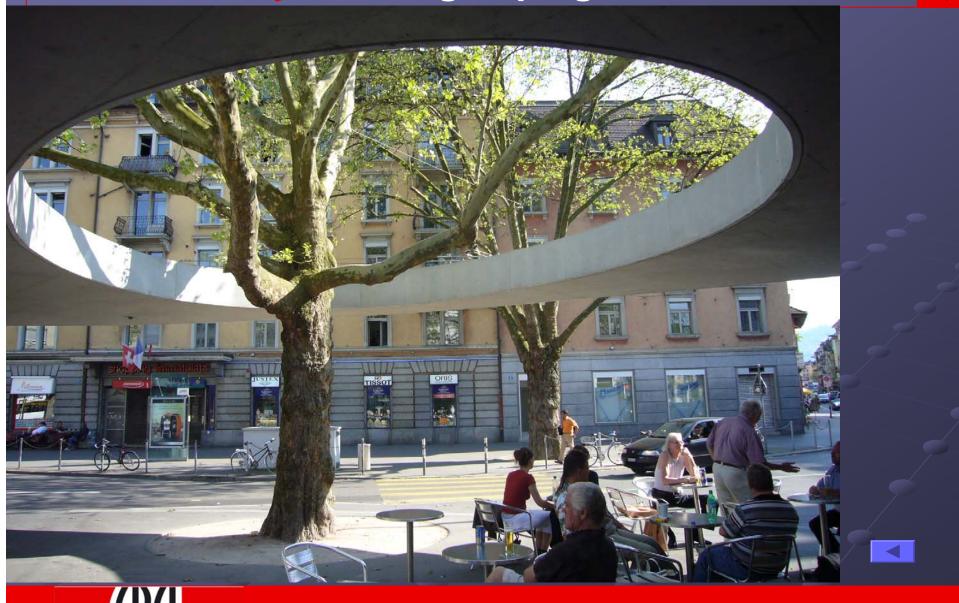
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